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B. In the Claims

Please amend claims 1 to 9 and cancel claims 10 to 17 without prejudice. Please add new claims 18 to 28.

Upon entry of the present amendment, the claims will stand as follows in the present application:

- 1. (currently amended) A composition of matter consisting of a-suitable an adsorbent binding carrier and a polyphenol in an anhydrous mixture, wherein said polyphenol is adsorbed to said binding carrier.
- 2. (currently amended) The composition according According to claim 1, a composition of matter consisting of additionally comprising an anhydrous topical cram, gel or ointment, a wherein the polyphenol and a suitable adsorbed to said adsorbent binding carrier to which the polyphenol will bind for purposes of even disbursement is evenly disbursed within the cream, gel or ointment, and wherein said polyphenol will be released release on and into the skin when the cream, gel or ointment is applied thereto.
- 3. (currently amended) The composition according According to claim 2, a composition-wherein the polyphenol consists of comprises polyphenols derived from tea (Camellia sinensis) and or green tea.

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- 4. (currently amended) The composition according According to claim 2, a composition-wherein the binding carrier is selected from the group consisting consists of, but is not limited to, tales and clays, alginates, algae, agars, gums, gelatins, celluloses, silica, silica gels, simethicone, salicylates, silicates and silicone resins, tragacanths, calcium carbonates and magnesium or and zinc oxides.
- 5. (currently amended) <u>The composition according According</u> to claim 4, a composition wherein the binding carrier consists of is silica or a silica gels.
- 6. (currently amended) <u>The composition according According</u> to claim 4, a composition wherein the binding carrier consists of is a salicylates or a silicates.
- 7. (currently amended) <u>The composition according According</u> to claim 4, a composition wherein the binding carrier consists of is a magnesium or zinc oxides.
- 8. (currently amended) The composition according According to claim 2, a composition-wherein the anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment consists of comprises saturated or unsaturated plant oils or waxes.
- 9. (currently amended) The composition according According to claim 8, a composition where wherein the oils or waxes consist of are natural plant oils and or waxes such as, but are not limited to, shea butter, aloe vera, almond oil, olive oil, avocado oil, coconut oil, jojoba oil and avena sativa oil.

Claims 10-17 (canceled).

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- 18. (new) The composition according to claim 9, wherein said natural plant oils or waxes are shea butter, aloe vera, almond oil, olive oil, avocado oil, coconut oil, jojoba oil or avena sativa oil.
- 19. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 1 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.

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- 20. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 2 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 21. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 3 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 22. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 4 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.

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- 23. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 5 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 24. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 6 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 25. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 7 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 26. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 8 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.

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- 27. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 9 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.
- 28. (new) A method of formulating a composition according to claim 18 comprising the steps of:
 - a. triturating an adsorbent binding carrier with a polyphenol until uniform; and
 - b. subsequently adding an anhydrous topical cream, gel or ointment base.